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Draft resolution by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, Mr. Murari Raj Sharma (Nepal), on the basis of informal consultations

The role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits

The Economic and Social Council,

1. *Welcomes* General Assembly resolution 57/270 B of 23 June 2003, entitled "Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields";

2. *Decides* to take the necessary steps for the effective implementation of the provisions of resolution 57/270 B that are relevant to the work of the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary machinery and to keep this implementation under review;

3. *Welcomes* the request by the General Assembly for the establishment of a multi-year work programme for the coordination segment of the Economic and Social Council, based on a focused and balanced list of cross-sectoral thematic issues common to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits, including the objectives, goals and targets of the Millennium Declaration;[1]

4. *Expresses*, in this regard, its determination to finalize the list of cross-sectoral thematic issues and the multi-year work programme for its coordination segment, with the aim of reaching a decision before the substantive session of 2004, and in this regard invites the Bureau to initiate informal consultations by January 2004;

5. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits,[2] and, in this regard, requests the Secretary-General to update the report and its recommendations in the light of resolution 57/270 B and to submit it for consideration by the Council at its next substantive session.

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[1] General Assembly resolution 55/2.

[2] E/2003/67.